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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Hanna et al.

Group Art Unit: 1644

Application No. 09/855,717

Examiner: P. Gambel

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Title: Treatment of B-Cell Malignancies Using Combination of B Cell Depleting Antibody and Immune Modulating Antibody Related Applications

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ELECTION RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action [Restriction Requirement] mailed on September 30, 2002, Applicants elect with traverse Group I, claims 1-41 and 57-103, drawn to methods of treating malignancies by administering CD40L-specific antibodies in combination therapies. The traversal is on the basis that the search for the non-elected claims, which are directed to therapeutic compositions useful in the method of Group I, would be substantially co-extensive with the elected subject matter.

If the examiner has any questions relating to this application, he is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number given below.

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